

Step by Step – Domestic Violence Protective Orders

Domestic violence protective orders prohibit a respondent from threatening to commit or committing domestic violence against a petitioner and can include provisions to require the respondent to stay away and not contact the victim. They can also grant temporary child custody, child support, possession of a home and car, or payment of medical or other expenses. For more information, read **How to Represent Yourself in Alaska's Domestic Violence Protective Order Process**

<https://public.courts.alaska.gov/web/forms/docs/pub-22.pdf> or
<https://public.courts.alaska.gov/web/forms/docs/pub-22s.pdf> (Español)

To request an *Ex Parte Protective Order* (lasts 20 days) or a *Long Term Protective Order* (lasts 1 year) or BOTH, file a **Petition form DV-100** (<https://public.courts.alaska.gov/web/forms/docs/dv-100-127-one.pdf> for 1 petitioner or <https://public.courts.alaska.gov/web/forms/docs/dv-100-127-multi.pdf> for multiple petitioners).

Can pick up at the local court or shelter.

For an *Ex Parte Protective Order*, the judge will review petition and may hold a hearing where petitioner will provide testimony. Explain why you need protection from the respondent by answering: What happened? When? Where? Who was present? If asking only for a *Long Term Protective Order*, a hearing will be set within 20 days.

Judge **denies** *Ex Parte Protective Order*

If Petitioner also did **NOT** request a *Long Term Protective Order*, the **case is closed**

If Petitioner also requested a *Long Term Protective Order*, a hearing will be set **within 20 days** (no *Order* is in effect during that time); Police will serve Respondent with the *Denial Order* and *Notice of the Long Term Order* hearing

At the *Long Term Protective Order* hearing, **explain** to the judge why you need protection from the abuser. Answer: What happened? When? Where? Who was present? Bring evidence and witnesses if you have them.

Judge **denies** *Long Term Protective Order* - **case closed**

Judge **grants** *Long Term Protective Order* - lasts **1 year**

After 1 year, **case closed** or file a new petition for *Protective Order*

Judge **grants** *Ex Parte Protective Order* (lasts for 20 days). If you also requested a *Long Term Order*, a hearing will be scheduled within 20 days.

If Petitioner did **NOT** ask for a *Long Term Protective Order*, *Ex Parte Protective Order* lasts for **20 days**

After 20 days, **case is closed**

If Petitioner also requested a *Long Term Protective Order*, a hearing will be set **within 20 days**; Police will serve Respondent with the *Ex Parte Protective Order* which contains notice of the *Long Term Protective Order* hearing date

At the hearing, **explain** to the judge why you need protection from the abuser. Answer: What happened? When? Where? Who was present? Bring evidence and witnesses if you have them.

Judge **denies** *Long Term Protective Order* - **case closed**

Judge **grants** *Long Term Protective Order* - lasts **1 year**

After 1 year, **case closed** or file a new petition for *Protective Order*

If you need to change your *Ex Parte Protective Order* or *Long Term Protective Order* or want to dismiss your *Order*, file a *Request to Modify/Dissolve*, form DV-135: <https://public.courts.alaska.gov/web/forms/docs/dv-135-one.pdf> (1 petitioner) or <https://public.courts.alaska.gov/web/forms/docs/dv-135-multi.pdf> (multiple petitioners). For more information about the process, call 264-0851 or 1-866-279-0851.